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Birthday party turns gory

Realtor Murdered

Friends stab 'birthday boy' multiple times with broken beer bottles

Mysuru, Mar. 6 (RK&BCT)- Night-long binge drinking to celebrate birthday by a group of friends and the subsequent arguments over old rivalry resulted in grisly murder where the 'birthday boy' was stabbed multiple times by his friends with broken beer bottles. The birthday party that began at the foot of Chamundi Hill last evening ended in murder at a service apartment at Kuvempunagar in the wee hours of today, Police said.

The deceased has been identified as 40-year-old Anand alias Vadda Anand, a resident of Janatanagar. Anand is a realtor, financier and a small-time politician. He was also a money-lender. Saraswathipuram Police had opened a rowdy-sheet against him as Anand was an accused in a murder case 13 years ago and has also served a jail term.

Deceased Anand

Police said Anand was an accused in the murder case where one person was killed over a financial dispute in Saraswathipuram Police limits.

Anand's blood stained body was found in the service apartment and the Police found that he was stabbed multiple times with broken beer bottles. The incident is suspected to have occurred between 3 am and 4 am.

According to preliminary investigation conducted by the Police, to celebrate his 40th birthday on Mar. 5 (yesterday), Anand had organised a party at a function hall at the foot of Chamundi Hill at 7 pm where hundreds of people had dinner along with liquor and non-vegetarian food.

The party continued till 11 pm and later Anand called up the owner of the service apartment on Lalithadri Road near Lava Kusha Park in Kuvempunagar and booked a room on the second floor of the apartment.

(See REALTOR on page 9)

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Working without wages

Talking about the time-honoured societal feature of *joint family*, currently witnessing disfavour among urbanites, may sound like an exercise in the study of the land's past to the millennials of today. We are in the era favouring *nuclear family*, in city environment. According to the Oxford English Dictionary, the term 'nuclear family' dates back to 1925, meaning "a family where father, mother and their children live in one household, flocking together like objects around a nucleus. They being *immediate* family members seem to be contented not experiencing life of an *extended* family comprising at least three generations. The nucleus of the nuclear family, with the daunting role of maintaining the integrity of the family, unarguably, is its home-maker or, more commonly identified as the housewife. The tasks of care and management of the family's daily needs, strangely, is described as *husbandry*, amounting to denying the credit to the housewife. Thankfully, the term *house-husband* is not in vogue, and when used in certain context may sound laughable. He is rightly identified as the family's chief wage-earner. A typical housewife, not earning any income by working outside her home, working without salary is the focus of this column.

The issue of female foeticide, debated sparingly for a while raises the question of discounted importance to the female in society. The term *mother* hoisting the female to great heights and the slogan that if the girl in the family is educated, the entire family benefits from education sound platitudinous, in the face of not rewarding the housewife for her hard and selfless labour in the cause of the family's welfare.

Rain or shine, the routine of the housewife goes on like clockwork 24x7, beginning at the break of dawn and stopping at the fall of dark, with no expression of *Thank You* from any one in the family. Her working condition has so far been kept out of the ambit of law-makers. Even the nation's Constitution seems to have sidelined the rights of the housewife, including cap on the number of hours of work in a week, minimum salary, earned leave, leave travel concession, that go with the jobs of Government employees and so on. A leading film actor, as reported in a section of the press, has averred that time has come to address the question of *salary* for the housewives. The role of housewife is a big job and should be compensated commensurately, he has argued.

Maybe, meeting the basic needs of the housewife, similar to those of the other members of the family, amounts to paying salary in kind, if not in hard cash. A son of marriageable age seeking to know from his father what it costs to marry, getting the reply "I don't know son, I am still paying" doesn't portray the housewife in proper perspective, while she continues to work without wages.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

We live in strange times. Solemn chants like *Jai Shri Ram* or *Allahu Akbar* are being chanted not to invoke solemnity and piousness, but to spread paranoia over the 'other'. This is the price we are paying for increasing polarisation in the country. Rama no longer seems to symbolise the divine 'light within me' nor does *'Allahu Akbar'* extol the greatness of the omnipotent and omnipresent Power. Instead, people are made to believe that anything that is in Sanskrit is a slogan of Hindutva and/or anything in Arabic is pro-jihadi. The biggest collateral damage of the rising social polarisation has been the country's long-held culture of free-thinking. It has almost become fashionable to be 'for' or 'against' something. The freedom to see things as they are is under attack and prejudices of all kinds are being perpetuated.

— M. Rajaque Rahman in The Times of India

NEWS SPARKLERS

Woman watering plastic succulent for two years

California: A California woman recently got her online fame after taking to Facebook to reveal that the potted plant she had been watering and looking after for the last two years was actually made of plastic.

Caelie Wilkes shared a very funny revelation with her Facebook friends. While attempting to relocate the succulent she had been looking after for two years in a larger pot, she was shocked to learn that the plant was artificial. The old pot broke, revealing a very thin layer of sand at the top, and a big block of Styrofoam at the bottom, where the plant's roots should have been. She had been watering it regularly and making sure that it had all the right condition, only to learn that all her efforts had been in vain. Needless to say Wilkes felt like the last two years of her life have been a lie.

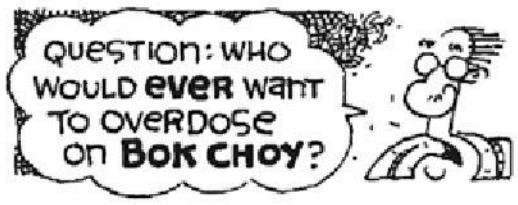
The blue-faced make-up artist

Bradford: Lhouraii Li, a make-up artist from Bradford, in the UK, has been getting a lot of attention on social media sites due to her unique look. For the past two years, Lhouraii has been painting her face blue almost every day.

Back in 2013, Li made news headlines around the world, with many calling her a "real-life Barbie" due to her doll-like looks. She says that it was all just a misunderstanding, that her Japanese-inspired "Gyaru" style was mistaken for a doll imitation. Two years ago, however, Lhouraii Li decided that a bright blue skin complexion fitted her personality much better, so she started dying her face and hands blue almost every day.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

Is it possible to overdose on vegetables?



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Kittur Rani Chennamma award for Anitha Cariappa

Anitha Cariappa

Mysuru, Mar.6- Noted theatre personality Addanda Anitha Cariappa has been selected for the prestigious 'Kittur Rani Chennamma' award given by the Department of Women and Child Development in recognition of her services for overall development of women.

The award carries a cash prize of Rs. 25,000 and a citation.

Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa will present the award at a programme to be held at Ravindra Kalakshetra in Bengaluru at 11 am on Mar.8, marking World Women's Day.

Women and Child Development Minister Shashikala Jolle will be present on the occasion.

Profile: Addanda Anitha Cariappa, wife of Mysuru Rangayana Director Addanda C. Cariappa and a resident of Ponnampet in Kodagu district, has been active in theatre for the past 40 years. She is the only actress who has relentlessly involved herself in Kannada and Kodava theatre in Kodagu district. She has played a key role in Kodava theatre making its own mark in Karnataka theatre.

After graduating from 'Neenasam' theatre school, she has served as a member of Karnataka Nataka Academy. She has performed in over 80 plays and has acted in many Kodava movies. She gave a stunning performance in *'Baduk'* Kodava play and *'Mithuna'* Kannada play. Her only son Ponnappa is working in New Zealand.

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VOICE OF THE READER

Earmark car parking space at Railway West Gate

Sir,

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One thing Railway authorities should bear in mind is that people who come to receive their visitors may have to wait till they get down from train and come out of the gate. Many times, train arrivals may be delayed owing to platform issues.

Till such time, the cars used to wait outside in front of the officers quarters, opposite railway institute, without blocking the entry points of the quarters.

This was a good practice and when the passengers arrived, vehicles used to go the portico and pick them up without inconveniencing anyone. But now people are put to great inconvenience. Hope the Railway DRM will take note of this and provide parking space for four-wheelers as was earlier considering passenger-friendly relationship.

— Vijay Hemmige
on e-mail
Vijayanagar Railway Layout
2.3.2020

Aishwarya Mahadev appointed AICC Women's Wing Secretary

Mysuru, Mar. 6- Woman Congress leader Aishwarya Mahadev has been appointed as the Secretary of AICC Women's Wing.

Aishwarya is the daughter of former K.R. Nagar MLA late Manchanahalli Mahadev.

AICC General Secretary K.C. Venugopal appointed Aishwarya Mahadev following directions from Acting Congress President Sonia Gandhi.

EPF money to fetch lowest interest rate in over five years

New Delhi, Mar. 6 (UNI)- The Central Board of Trustees of Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) has recommended interest rate of 8.5 percent — the lowest interest rate in over five years — on Provident Fund deposits to around six crore subscribers for the current financial year (2019-20).

This is lower than the 8.65 percent interest rate given on Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) deposits for the previous financial year 2018-19. The EPFO had provided 8.65 percent rate of interest to its subscribers for 2016-17 and 8.55 percent in 2017-18. The rate of interest was slightly higher at 8.8 percent in 2015-16.

The retirement fund body had provided 8.75 percent rate of interest in 2013-14 as well as 2014-15, higher than 8.5 percent for 2012-13.

The Finance Ministry, according to reports, has been nudging the Labour Ministry for aligning the EPF interest rate with other small saving schemes run by the Government like the Public Provident Fund and Post Office saving schemes.

The Labour Ministry requires the Finance Ministry's concurrence to provide a rate of interest on EPF deposits in a fiscal year. Since the Government of India is the guarantor, Finance Ministry vets the proposal for EPF interest rate to avoid any liability on account of shortfall in the EPFO income for a fiscal.

The Labour Ministry had earlier implemented retirement fund body EPFO's decision to restore pension commutation under the Employees' Pension Scheme, a move that will benefit 6.3 lakh pensioners.

Pension commutation refers to part-withdrawal of fund in advance by a subscriber, who then gets reduced pension amount for 15 years. On Feb. 20, the Ministry notified the decision of the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) to restore pension of those who opted for commutation of their pension on or before Sept. 25, 2008.

As many as 6.3 lakh pensioners would benefit from the decision. They had opted for commutation of their pension and got a lump sum at the time of retirement from their pension fund on or before Sept. 25, 2008.

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MGP meeting on Income Tax

The monthly meeting of Mysore Grahakara Parishat (MGP) will be held at its office, 6/1, Vivekananda Road, Yadavagiri, on Mar. 8 (Sunday) at 4 pm. Income Tax slabs for the assessment year 2021-22 have been revised, but the assessees can still choose the existing scheme if it is more beneficial. Muralidhar Kalasapur will discuss the pros and cons of the two schemes at the meeting. For details call Ph: 0821-2515150 or Mob: 94488-55199.

Free Health Check-up

Suyog Hospital, Mysuru is conducting Free Health Check-up Camp for Police personnel (including retired Police) and their families on Mar. 9. City Police Commissioner Dr. Chandragupta will inaugurate the event. Hospital President Dr. S.P. Yoganna will preside over the programme. Superintendent of Police C.B. Ryshyanth, Deputy Commissioner of Police (Law and Order) Dr. A.N. Prakash Gowda, DCP (Crime and Traffic) B.T. Kavitha and DCP (City Armed Reserve Police) Shivaraju will be the chief guests. For details, contact Mob: 97955-55908.

KDP Progress review meeting

The District KDP (Karnataka Development Programme) progress review meeting will take place on Mar.11 at 10.30 am at Mysuru ZP Hall. ZP President Parimala Shyam will preside over the meeting, according to a press release.

Karmika Samman Divas on Mar. 8

The District Administration, in association with Zilla Panchayat, Labour Department and Karnataka State Unorganized Workers Social Security Board, Bengaluru, will celebrate Karmika Samman Divas at Sarada Vilas Centenary Hall in Krishnamurthypuram, at 11.30 am on Mar. 8. District in-charge Minister V. Somanna will inaugurate. MLA S.A. Ramdas will preside.

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Woman battles for life after suicide attempt

Family alleges harassment by husband

Mysuru, Mar. 6 (RK&KS)- Unable to bear the alleged harassment meted out by her husband, a woman attempted suicide at her home in Somanatha Nagar, Jayapura Hobli in the taluk on Mar. 3.

The woman, who attempted suicide and battling for life at a private hospital in city, is 41-year-old Nagaveni (Mani), wife of Venkatappa. Venkatappa is serving as an Assistant Child Project Officer at Women and Child Development Department in T. Narasipur.

A native of Ranebennur in Bhadravathi, Nagaveni, daughter of T. Thimmaiah and Bhagyamma couple was given in marriage to Venkatappa of Maddur in Mandya district in 1997. The couple has two sons, Rohit, who is pursuing his final year MBBS course at the Government Medical College, Chamarajanagar and second son Rohan, who is pursuing his first year MBBS course at Mandya Medical College.

According to the complaint lodged by Nagaveni's father T. Thimmaiah at Jayapura Police Station, he has stated that his son-in-law Venkatappa used to come home drunk everyday, harass Nagaveni both physically and mentally and also used to threaten her with life.

File photo of Venkatappa with his wife Nagaveni.

Thimmaiah has also stated that Nagaveni had not attempted suicide and it was Venkatappa, who had assaulted and hanged her.

Thimmaiah in his complaint, has also stated that in recent days, Venkatappa, who used to come home drunk daily, used to pick up fights and assault Nagaveni. On Mar. 1 too, Venkatappa had assaulted Nagaveni and had threatened her with life following which he (Thimmaiah) and his family members went to his daughter's house and tried to advice him. But Venkatappa abused everyone using foul language, he added.

Speaking to *SOM*, Thimmaiah said that though he has stated that it was Venkatappa who had assaulted Nagaveni and tried to kill her, Jayapura Police did not register a FIR but instead suggested that we change our statements in the complaint.

Thimmaiah said that though the Police visited the hospital, they were unable to obtain statements from Nagaveni as she is unconscious and alleged that though the Police took statements from Nagaveni's sons, Rohit and Rohan, they had not registered a FIR.

Jayapura Police, registered the FIR yesterday (Mar. 5).

Riders killed in collision

H. D. Kote, Mar.6 (Manju)- In a ghastly road accident, the riders of two motorcycles were killed on the spot, while a pillion rider on one of the motorcycles sustained serious injuries, in a head-on collision on H.D.Kote-Hunsur road late last night.

The deceased have been identified as Ubaid (24), a native of Kerala and Kantharaju(28) of Hassan, while the injured pillion rider, identified as Diwakar of Hassan, has been admitted to NIMHANS Hospital in Bengaluru.

The bike riders Ubaid and Kantharaju were travelling in opposite directions late on Thursday night, when their motorcycles collided head on near Annur Bheemanahalli on H.D. Kote-Hunsur Road, killing Ubaid and Kantharaju on the spot and leaving Diwakar, who was riding pillion on the motorcycle ridden by Kantharaju, seriously injured.

Additional SP P.V. Sneha and Hunsur DySP Sundar Raj visited the spot.

H.D.Kote Police have registered a case in this regard.

Girl stabs fiancé to avoid marriage and continue studies

Bettadapura, Mar. 6 (Shivadev &KS)- A 20-year-old girl, pursuing her second year B.Sc course at a College in Hunsur has allegedly stabbed her fiancé as she wanted to continue her studies and her family members were not willing to postpone the marriage. The incident took place at Bettadapura on Monday night (Mar. 2).

The seriously injured man is 31-year-old Ravikumar, a lawyer by profession and a resident of Surapura village in Periyapatna taluk. The girl is a resident of Bettadapura.

Details: The engagement of Ravikumar and the girl was held four months ago and the marriage date was fixed as Mar. 13.

On Monday, Ravikumar was distributing the wedding invitations to his friends when the girl reportedly called him over phone and asked him to come near Bettadapura Agriculture Office. When Ravikumar came near the Agriculture Office at about 7.30 pm, the girl is said to have told him that she has a surprise for him and asked him to cover his eyes with her veil. When Ravikumar tied the veil around his eyes, the girl immediately took out a knife and stabbed in his abdomen thrice, then fled from the spot and reached her home.

Meanwhile, a woman, who saw Ravikumar lying in a pool of blood informed the same to farmer leader Devaraju, who rushed to the spot and admitted Ravikumar to a private hospital in Mysuru.

Meanwhile, Ravikumar's Uncle, who had initially thought that some miscreants had stabbed Ravikumar, lodged a complaint with Bettadapura Police in this regard. Bettadapura Sub-Inspector Lokesh and staff visited the spot and conducted inspection.

On Wednesday, the Police picked up the girl for questioning and during interrogation, the girl is said to have confessed of stabbing Ravikumar.

According to the Police, the girl was studious and talented. She wanted to complete her graduation. She had also told her family members that she wanted to complete her education and did not want to marry before that. But the family members had conducted her engagement with Ravikumar and had also fixed the marriage date as Mar. 13.

The Police also informed that the girl had also requested Ravikumar that she wanted to complete the education and did not want to marry now, but in vain. Hence she hatched a plot to kill him so that the marriage would be stalled and she could continue her education, the Police added.

Police sources said that during interrogation, she had told them that she had to attend to her practical exam now, continue her education and did not want to get married.

The Police, who have registered an attempt to murder case, produced the girl before a Court, which remanded her to judicial custody. Meanwhile, the Police said that Ravikumar, who is undergoing treatment, is out of danger.

Nirbhaya convicts set to hang on Mar. 20

Supreme Court to step in if convicts are not hanged on the set date

New Delhi, Mar. 6 (UNI)- A City Court, yesterday, set Mar. 20 as the date for executing the four convicts in the 2012 Nirbhaya gang rape and murder case. The Court noted there was no legal bar, but rather an obligation to set the date.

Vinay *Pawan* *Akshay* *Mukesh*

The latest ruling follows three postponements of the hanging in six weeks and adds a sense of finality in a sensational case in which the four had received the death sentence way back in 2013. "Death warrants issued by this Court with respect to condemned convicts Mukesh, Pawan, Akshay and Vinay shall now be carried into effect by hanging the convicts by the neck until they are dead on Mar. 20 at 5.30 am," said Additional Sessions Judge Dharmender Rana.

Special Prosecutor Irfan Ahmed, who moved a plea seeking setting the date of hanging, informed the Court that the convicts had exhausted all their legal remedies. Convict Pawan Gupta was the last convict in the case to exhaust the legal remedy of the President's mercy.

Rejection of his mercy plea brought an end to all judicial, Constitutional and administrative remedies to which a prisoner is entitled as a right before execution of death sentence. Appearing for Pawan, Vinay and Akshay, advocate A.P. Singh said he would be meeting Pawan and then challenge the rejection of mercy plea. He also wanted to meet Akshay to "discuss with him the future course of action".

Supreme Court assurance

Meanwhile, the Supreme Court made it clear that any delay in the scheduled execution of death sentence of the four Nirbhaya gang-rape case convicts on Mar. 20 will see the court itself step in on Mar. 23 to promptly decide the Government's appeal for permission to separately hang them to death.

The assurance from a three-Judge Bench led by Justice R. Banumathi came while addressing the Government's apprehension that chances are high that one or other of the four convicts may turn up in Court before Mar. 20 with a new plea and further delay the execution.

"I am no astrologer... but they [convicts] will find something to delay the Mar. 20 execution... I am not in a hurry to execute them, but the system is suffering when the punishment keeps getting postponed. The convicts have been taking the system for a ride... Even now, it has been over two years since their review petitions were dismissed by the Supreme Court," Solicitor-General Tushar Mehta submitted.

At this juncture, Justice Banumathi turned to the convicts' lawyers to come prepared on Mar. 23 as the Court would not entertain any requests for adjournment. The Court would examine the Government's appeal to hang them separately even if it involves an "extended hearing" on Mar. 23, Justice Banumathi assured.

Former Corporator's husband assaulted

Mysuru, Mar. 6 (RK&KS)- A former Corporator's husband has been assaulted at Yeraganahalli last night and the injured man has been admitted to a private hospital in city. He is now said to be out of danger.

The injured is Annaiah, son of Siddegowda of Yeraganahalli and husband of former Corporator Rajini.

Details: Yesterday night, drummers, who were practicing for the Maramma festival which is to take place next Tuesday at Yeraganahalli, closed their practice at about 10 pm last night.

Meanwhile, one Mahadevu and Chidambara, who came to the practice place asked the drummers to continue their practice. But the drummers refused saying that it was already late and that their practice would disturb others.

Irked over the refusal to practice, Mahadevu and Chidambara picked up a fight with the drummers and soon wordy duel ensued between them. Meanwhile, Annaiah, who came to the spot, tried to stop the fight but Mahadevu and Chidambara picked up a fight with Annaiah too. As the fight escalated, Mahadevu picked up a machete and struck on the head on Annaiah using the machete's blunt side, thus injuring Annaiah, who was then admitted to a private hospital nearby.

Injured Annaiah undergoing treatment.

Alanahalli Police, who rushed to the spot, have arrested Mahadevu and have launched a hunt to nab Chidambara who is absconding, besides registering a case.

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Over a cup of evening Tea

By Dr. K. Javeed Nayeem, MD

Do we need to stoop to Casino Tourism?

My morning newspaper today says that our State Budget does not have much funds earmarked to boost tourism except for a very modest allocation to promote it in the North and the Coastal belt. Yes, the Northern reaches of our State do have some of the finest places of tourist interest worth promoting which have not received much attention by way of improved amenities and access so far. The news that **Sudha Murty of Infosys Foundation** has been appointed as the Chairperson of our **Tourism Task Force** comes like a breath of very fresh air.

Being a much travelled person and a lady with much concern for the well-being of our State and our environment, I feel she is eminently qualified to counsel our Government about what is right and what is wrong with the way we have been handling or rather mishandling the rich tourism potential of our State. **I'm sure that if our Government starts following her advice instead of just listening to it with deaf ears we may be able to showcase our State better and even earn much revenue from it instead of experimenting with outlandish and unfruitful schemes.**

Talking of outlandish schemes, about a month ago there was this news about our Government seriously considering the idea of starting gambling casinos of the **Las Vegas** kind in our State to promote tourism and generate income for itself. The report said that this would effectively counter the attraction that our neighbouring State of Goa now holds for tourists which is where the nearest casinos are located. This idea was attributed to our Tourism Minister C.T. Ravi by a loud voice from within his own Ministry.

But very soon the Minister, who incidentally hails from my own little village of Aldur, nestled atop the Western Ghats in the heart of Chikmagalur District, thankfully distanced himself from it and announced that it was only a proposal that he had received from someone somewhere. **But this news certainly jarred my sensibilities because if it did have an element of truth in it, it only meant that our Government was so blind to what our State had by way of its natural beauty, heritage, history and rich culture that it was thinking of earning money by encouraging people from across the world to come here to win or lose it by State-sponsored gambling.** And, this was a Government generated proposal after better sense had prevailed just a few years ago which led to the banning of all kinds of lotteries which were till then bleeding our masses and ruining homes en masse.

Although it was clarified that our proposed casinos would be open only to foreigners to prevent any adverse impact on the financial health of locals, do you think that it is right to rob Peter to pay Paul even if Peter happens to be an outsider? I think not. The principle of propriety should apply uniformly to all concerned if we consider ourselves the upholders of natural justice. When we can take pride in the fact that our State is in no way inferior to any other State in the country when it comes to what we can proudly showcase to our tourists, where is the need for us to harbour any inferiority complex about how good we are as hosts to them?

Every tiny nook and corner of our State has something of interest to practically every kind of tourist. We have attractions for the naturalists, the culture hunters, the history buffs, the archaeologists, the anthropologists, the health freaks, the Nirvana seekers and the plain drifters who just want to ogle in amazement at what is happening on the street they are walking on at any given moment! Yes, you name it and we have it!

Then why do we need to feel a little ashamed of all that we already have and therefore think of inventing new and some certainly very seedy ways of attracting tourists? Does it not amount to admitting that what we have is just not enough? I feel that instead of resorting to all such obviously shameful measures if we just undertake a soul-searching exercise to understand what we are doing wrong when it comes to tourism we will certainly understand our lapses. Yes, there is much that we are doing wrong and it is only when we begin to see our faults that we can also begin to correct them.

Not many of our tourist attractions are connected by good and well-maintained roads all through the year. For instance, the roads that lead to our so-called monsoon destinations are in a shambles right in the middle of our monsoon! The quaint, hidden nuggets that can become a goldmine for our State continue to remain off our tourism maps and brochures. Even the most well-known and, therefore, most frequented tourist spots suffer from a dismal lack of really clean and well-maintained civic amenities.

I will not be wrong if I say that the rarest thing in our State is a really clean public toilet when in fact that is the first thing that any tourist looks for as soon as he or she reaches his or her destination! It is only when this need is fully and fairly met that they can focus their eyes on what they have really come to see. And, when this need is not met they will only depart in disgust!

Providing good and clean amenities is not a difficult accomplishment if our Tourism Ministry minds and makes it a priority issue. The comfort level is what attracts tourists to any place, small or big. Most of us naturally prefer to visit places which are clean, comfortable and easily accessible. These are the main attributes that determine re-visits which make up more than a third of the footfalls to any place.

I have myself come away from some very beautiful and attractive tourist spots with the determination never to go back there because I was badly deterred by the poor upkeep of those places. Most of our popular tourist spots have become dens of touts and dishonest traders who swindle unsuspecting tourists more than any casino can! **So instead of establishing casinos we would do well to pull up our act and clean up our stables first!**

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National Integration Camp at JSS AHER

Youth Exchange Programme Students from Kashmir attend

FROM LEFT: ***Siddaramappa, NYK District Youth Coordinator, Vipul Kumar, IGP, Muktidanandaji of Sri Ramakrishna Ashram and Dr. K.L. Krishna, NSS Officer, JSS AHER at the National Integration Camp held in city this morning.***

Mysuru, Mar. 6 (PM)- The NSS (National Service Scheme) Wing of JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research (JSS AHER), under the aegis of Youth Empowerment and Sports Department, Government of Karnataka, in association with Nehru Yuva Kendra (NYK), Mysuru, had organised a 'National Integration Camp' under the theme 'Ek Bharath Shreshtha Bharath,' at Rajendra Auditorium, JSS College of Pharmacy premises at Bannimantap here this morning.

Students from other States and the youth delegate from Kashmir under the 'Kashmiri Youth Exchange Programme,' who arrived in city last evening, took part in the event.

On the occasion, chief guest Vipul Kumar, IGP (Southern Region) and Director, Karnataka Police Academy, delivered a lecture on 'Role of Youth in National Integration, Communal Harmony and Nation building.'

In his lecture, the DGP said, "The notion of national integration should begin at home, wherein the members of a household share a good rapport with their neighbours and others in the community. Mutual respect towards each other will help bring about a communal harmony. The youth of today are like a flowing river, when the inflow of river is more, it needs to be channelised towards respective canals or dams. In the same manner, the thoughts and ideas of the youth need to be channelised in the right direction, which will help bring about integration of the nation," he added.

Referring to the recent riots in New Delhi, the IGP said, "Most of the people who took part in the violent riots in New Delhi, were youth. Lack of awareness on the issues and wrongful representations by certain sections of the media and people led to such violence. This needs to be curbed and the youth need to be rightly informed on the happenings in their neighbourhood."

"Integration camps like these will help understand the cultures and attitudes of people in their respective regions. Participation of students from across the country is a great sign. The participants will get an opportunity to learn the local culture, their lifestyles, a few of which they can incorporate in their respective dwellings," said Vipul Kumar.

Swami Muktidanandaji, President, Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Mysuru; Siddaramappa, NYK Mysuru District Youth Coordinator and Dr. K.L. Krishna, NSS Officer, JSS AHER were also present on the occasion.

A section of the student audience at the Natl. Integration Camp.

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Bringing R.K. Narayan's Swami back to Life

Bronze statues of three characters in *'Swami and Friends'* to be installed at Yadavagiri Circle

The Joy Ice-cream Circle in Yadavagiri where the statues will be installed.

Mysuru, Mar. 6 (BCT)- The famed novelist R.K. Narayan's iconic *'Swami and Friends'* of *'Malgudi Days'*-fame will come alive at the popular Joy Ice-cream Circle in Yadavagiri.

The bronze statuary will be installed at the sprawling Circle where five roads meet and which is a stone's throw away from R.K. Narayan's House. The three sculptures that will be installed are that of characters created by R.K. Narayan — Swami, Mani and Shankar — from his novel *'Swami and Friends'*.

The Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) had some time back proposed to install a statue of R.K. Narayan playing with Swami. Narayan wrote the novel in 1935. Swami is also a character in the serialisation of many of his stories in the television series *'Malgudi Days'*.

The MCC has already converted the acclaimed writer's house on Vivekananda Road in Yadavagiri into a Museum.

City-based Siddhartha Group, owned by P.V. Giri and family, had submitted a proposal to the MCC to convert the Circle into 'Swami and Friends — An artistic approach to Circle Sculpture'. The MCC Council in its meeting held in the last week of February approved the project.

MCC Commissioner Gurudatta Hegde has said that the Council approved the project as it was proposed by a private party and works will be completed soon. "The place will be a tourist attraction," he added.

Ready for installation

The sculptures and the base are ready for installation and the bronze statues will weigh approximately 400 kgs. The sculptures have been carved to depict Swami, the lead character, holding his classic bag on shoulder, Mani, a close friend of Swami, with a wooden club on his shoulder and Shankar holding a bat and a ball. The sculptures have been carved by M.D. Raviraj with guidance from Gururaj S. Naik.

Creating a new approach

The three characters will be looking towards R.K. Narayan's house road for arrival of Rajam and other friends or the author himself or a 'wait' which is frozen in time.

This will be the first such Circle Sculpture in city where a social and literary personality is celebrated and commemorated not through statues but through the characters that have been created by the personality.

The Circle will look beyond the usual ways and create a new approach to celebrate the great people of our country and the State. This will certainly set precedence for future Circle Sculptures in Mysuru and such initiatives will add new destinations for heritage walks and cycle tours across the city, said a note from Siddhartha Group that has taken this initiative.

A befitting tribute

The Circle will be the second permanent structure as a tribute to Rasipuram Krishnaswami Iyer Narayanaswami (R.K. Narayan (1906-2001), the first one being his house that has been converted into a Museum on the lines of the Shakespeare's Memorial at Stratford-upon-Avon in Warwickshire, United Kingdom.

'Swami and Friends' is the first of a trilogy of novels written by R.K. Narayan. The novel is set in British India in a fictional town called Malgudi. The second and third books in the trilogy are *'The Bachelor of Arts'* and *'The English Teacher'*. This novel was adapted by actor-director Shankar Nag into TV series *'Malgudi Days'* which became an extraordinary success story.

Sponsors

P.V. Giri and family have been art patrons since many decades. They have sponsored artistic events and the most successful being *'KHOJ 2002'* and the recent artistic workshop held at various galleries in city culminating at the amphitheatre in *Windflower Resorts*. This is the Group's first public art installation for Mysuru city.

Three-day State-level Para Games-2020 begins

Mysuru, Mar.6 (PM&DM)- The three-day State-level Para Games-2020, organised by Karnataka Sports Association for the Physically Handicapped, Bengaluru, began at Chamundi Vihar Stadium, Nazarbad in the city this morning.

On the first-day today, the event was held for specially-abled children aged between 6 and 12 years of the district under four categories —Cerebral Palsy (CP), Deaf and Dumb, Mentally Challenged (MC) and Intellectually Challenged (IC). About 600 children took part in events such as Basketing the Ball,Throw Ball, Running Race etc.,

Minister for Youth Empowerment and Sports C.T. Ravi is scheduled to formally inaugurate the event at 4 pm this evening.

Tomorrow and the day after (Mar.7&8), the State-level events will take place for specially abled persons aged over 18 years. The competition will be held under four categories—Wheelchair: Physically Challenged, Vision impaired and Dwarf persons.

The events include Wheelchair Basketball, Kabaddi, Table Tennis, Sitting Volleyball, Javelin Throw etc. Karnataka Sports Association for the Physically Handicapped President and Arjuna Awardee M. Mahadev speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning said that this is a State-level meet and top performers will qualify to take part in the 19th National Para Athletics Championships to be held in Mysuru from Mar. 26 to 28, 2020.

Top performers at this National Championships will take part in the Paralympics to take place at Tokyo in Japan later this year.

Mysuru Zilla Panchayat has sanctioned Rs.10 lakh for the event, he said and added that all the participants have been provided free Boarding and Lodging.

Realtor Murdered

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Police said that Anand and his six or seven friends (two of them identified as Basavaraju and Srinivas) reached the apartment room at midnight and again began drinking.

Police said that while three of Anand's friends slept off after having their fill, Anand, Basavaraju, Srinivas and two others continued drinking. An argument broke out between them in the wee hours and in a drunken stupor, Anand was stabbed multiple times with beer bottles. The Police, however, did not specify who actually broke the beer bottles and stabbed Anand. After leaving Anand in a pool of blood, the assailants escaped.

Meanwhile, one of Anand's friends who woke up early, noticed blood splattered all over the room and walls. He woke up his other friends and informed the Police.

The Police rushed to the spot and investigations have revealed that over six to seven friends had accompanied Anand to the service apartment. As all were high on booze, a dispute may have erupted when the others launched a bloody attack on Anand in a fit of rage, Police added.

Police sources told *Star of Mysore* that two of Anand's friends are being interrogated at Kuvempunagar Police. But there is no official confirmation yet on this. City Police Commissioner Dr. Chandragupta said that the Police have collected information about those who had joined Anand in the birthday bash at the apartment.

The Commissioner, DCP (Law and Order) A.N. Prakash Gowda, Devaraja ACP Shashidhar, Kuvempunagar Inspector Raju visited the spot. Forensic experts are scanning the crime scene for clues. The body has been shifted for post-mortem.

Stray dog menace continues in Nanjangud

Pack of dogs bites toddler in front of her house

Nanjangud, Mar. 6 (KS)- A pack of stray dogs attacked a two-year-old girl at Thyagaraja Colony here yesterday injuring the toddler seriously.

The injured child is Sukrutha, daughter of Savitha, a resident of the Colony. The little girl was playing in front of her house when a pack of stray dogs suddenly pounced on her, injuring her seriously in the attack.

Sukrutha's parents and neighbours, who rushed to her help on hearing her screams, managed to chase the dogs and rescue Sukrutha. But Sukrutha was

bitten all over her body by then. They then rushed the toddler to a hospital and got her treated.

It may be recalled that last month, a pack of stray dogs had attacked and injured seven people including a two-year-old girl at Devirammanahalli village on a single day. The girl, who was injured badly, was treated at a private hospital in Mysuru, where the girl's parents had spent about one lakh rupees for the treatment. The girl is yet to recover from the injuries.

Meanwhile, members of various organisations said that though the menace by stray dogs was brought to the notice of City Municipal Council (CMC), no action has been taken till date and have urged the authorities to take steps to control the stray dogs menace at the earliest failing which they threatened of staging protests in front of the CMC.

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Conference on 'Corporate Wellness'

Seen (from left) ***Bhaskar Kalale, Imm. Past Chairman, CII Mysuru; Dr. N. Muthukumar, Past Chairman, CII Karnataka; Amit Kumar, Chairman, CII Mysuru; Sri Ravishankar Guruji, Founder, Art of Living Foundation; Pavan Ranga, Vice-Chairman, CII Mysuru and Dr. B.R. Pai, Past Chairman, CII Mysuru, at the Conference held recently.***

Mysuru, Mar. 6- "Due to lack of trust between banks and industrialists, in the last two years, more than 7,000 industrialists have left this country which is really not a good sign," said Sri Ravishankar Guruji, founder of Art of Living Foundation, Bengaluru.

He was addressing the participants during the 'Corporate Wellness Conference 2020' on the theme 'Wellness and Well-being for a Progressive Nation' organised by Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)- Mysuru at Rajendra Centenary auditorium in JSS Hospital here recently.

Ravishankar Guruji said, "Forty years back it was so difficult for corporates to say that there is wellness. They thought that this was not their subject at all and according to them corporate sector meant only job and finance. Those days it took a lot of efforts to convince people. But in present day, these corporates spend half of their health to gain wealth and spend the other half of their wealth to gain back their health which is not good economics. I am glad CII has taken this as a big initiative, Corporate wellness is abuzz around the world today, and this is a welcome change," he added.

"People should practice meditation including those working in the corporate sectors. Meditation will not only help them keep calm, but also helps keep their health in good shape and thus improve work efficiency. It also helps in overall development. Meditation which started in India has spread across the world. America alone has invested 27 million dollars in wellness industry. Among Universities in America, 52 Universities have Indology. In India, 40 years ago, Yoga was not taken as profession but today many are taking to Ayurveda and Yoga as professions and this is the way of wellness," said Ravishankar Guruji.

Amit Kumar, Chairman, CII Mysuru; Bhaskar Kalale, Imm. Past Chairman, CII-Mysuru; Dr. N. Muthukumar, Past Chairman, CII Karnataka, Dr. B.R. Pai, Past Chairman, CII Mysuru and Pavan Ranga Vice-Chairman, CII Mysuru, were also present and addressed the Conference.

Dr. Upendra Shenoy, Cardiovascular Surgeon and Chief of Medical Services, Columbia Asia, Mysuru, who has performed more than 10,000 heart surgeries, delivering talk on 'Wellness relevance of Allopathic Medicine," said, "Coronary heart disease is a leading cause for death in India and it is on a steady rise. More than 50 percent of people who suffer heart attacks are smokers". He also advised people not to take up jogging or running in Chamundi Hill steps as the uneven steps may pose injuries. Instead he called upon to take up brisk walking on flat surface for at least 30 minutes everyday. For good health he also called upon people to have sleep for eight hours a day.

Dr. Anish Behl, Diabetologist and Endocrinologist, Apollo BGS Hospital, Mysuru, spoke on "Practical tips for lifestyle modification in Diabetes and Obesity."

Later in the day, Dr. B. Gurubasavaraja, Sr. Professor and Consultant Ayurveda Physician, JSS Ayurveda Medical College and JSS Hospital, Mysuru, spoke about "Significance of Ayurveda in present medical scenario" and Rohit Sikka, VP, Corporate Programmes, Art of Living, spoke "360 degree perspective on Corporate Wellness."

Making sustainable and reusable sanitary napkin

Training imparted for tribal and rural women

Mysuru, Mar. 6- Baalya Trust, Global Kulture and Raagarashmi - Foundation for Art and Culture had jointly organised a training programme "Making sustainable and reusable Sanitary napkin for tribal and rural women" in Hunasekuppe Tribal Colony, H. D. Kote and Hunsur recently.

Nearly 50 women and students from Sri Devaraj Urs First Grade College, Sociology Department, Hunsur, participated in the training.

The programme was facilitated by Sangeetha Ravindranath, Trainer and Founder Director of Raagarashmi; Biggi Vinkeloe and Nema Vinkeloe Uuskyla, Trainer, Global Kulture - Sweden.

During the training, they briefed about the usage of cloth pads during menstruation and how it's safe for health and environment. They also explained about how to create cloth pads using old cotton cloths and its use and thus promote well-being through the menstrual cycle. These cloth pads are affordable and using such cloth pads can prevent thousands of tons of non-biodegradable sanitary waste around the world, they said.

The main objective of this training was to help empower women as change agents, by providing information and ways for them to reconnect to their embodied knowledge and voice.

Anantha, Founder and Chief Functionary, Baalya Trust, welcomed. Sarvachethana Trust, DEED Hunsur and teachers of Sociology Department of Sri Devaraj Urs First Grade College, Hunsur, cooperated for the conduct of this programme.

Darshan timings extended in Dharmasthala Temple

Mysuru, Mar. 6- Following marked increase in the number of devotees visiting Sri Kshethra Dharmasthala Sri Manjunatha Swamy Temple, Dharmasthala, in recent times, the Temple administration has extended the *darshan* timings.

Now, the devotees are allowed to have *darshan* from 6.30 am to 2.30 pm and 5 pm to 8.30 pm on regular weekdays. On special days including Sunday and Monday, *darshan* timing is from 6.30 am to 4 pm and again from 5.30 pm to 9 pm, according to a press release.

Second State-level ISTE Polytechnic Students' Convention held

Mysuru, Mar. 6- The Second Karnataka State-level ISTE (Indian Society for Technical Education) Polytechnic Students' Convention was organised by JSS Polytechnic for Women in Mysuru recently.

N. Ravichandran, Joint Director-Exams, Directorate of Technical Education (DTE), Bengaluru, inaugurated the function and stressed on the need for such conventions by educational institutions. Stating that technology is the need of the hour, he said technology should reach common people at affordable rates.

Narendra Narayan, Founder and MD, Vinyas Innovative Technologies Private Limited, Mysuru, in his keynote address, said that it is important to adopt technology into our daily life which may facilitate the improvement in the quality of life.

Nijananda Reddy, Secretary, ISTE, Karnataka Section, briefed on the significance of ISTE Students Chapter in technical institutions.

N. Shekar, Prinicipal, presided. Harish, Assistant Director, DTE, ISTE Executive Council members Dr. S.B. Sangappa, S.B. Devaraju and SMC member Lingarju G. Vaidya were present during the inaugural function, according to a press release from the Principal.

MDFA 'C' Division Football League 2019-20

Facile win for Shivaji FC

Mysuru, Mar. 6- A goal each by centre-half Ibaad (5th) and left out Shoaib Jr. (10th) helped Shivaji FC to register a well-earned 2-0 win over East Mysore FC in the MDFA 'C' Division Football League 2019-20 for the Chirag Trophy played at University Grounds here on Thursday.

Result

Shivaji FC 2 (Ibaad 5, Shoaib Jr. 10) bt East Mysore FC 0.

KSCA Group II, 2nd Division League

South Western Railway Institute scores over Triton SC

Bengaluru, Mar. 6- A good all-round performance by S. Dhananjaya (4/24 & 26 n.o) helped South Western Railway Institute, Mysuru, to register a five-wicket win over Triton SC, Mysuru, in the KSCA Group II, 2nd Division League Match played at NAL Grounds, Bengaluru recently.

Batting first, Triton SC helped with some good knocks by S.J. Nikin Jose (46) and L.R. Mallikarjun (34) posted a total of 119/9 in 20 overs. Dhananjaya bowled well for South Western Railway Institute claiming 4/24. He was well-supported by left-arm spinner S. Ankith who took 2/24.

In reply, South Western Railway Institute, scored 123/5 in 18 overs. Madan Mohan (30) and Dhananjaya (26 n.o) were the main scorers. N. Sanjay took 2/23 for Triton SC.

Scores

Triton SC, Mysuru 119/9 in 20 overs (S.J. Nikin Jose 46, L.R. Mallikarjun 34, S. Dhananjaya 4/24, S. Ankith 2/24) lost to South Western Railway Institute 123/5 in 18 overs (Madan Mohan 30, Dhananjaya 26 n.o, N.Sanjay 2/23).

Hero Women's Pro Golf Tour - Leg 5

Vani Kapoor, Amandeep Drall in joint lead

City's Pranavi placed fourth

Greater Noida, Mar. 6- Former champion Vani Kapoor came back into the reckoning with a brilliant score of 2-under-70 on the second day and with a two-day aggregate score of level-par-142 (72+70) is tied with day one leader Amandeep Drall (69+73=142) at the end of the second day of the Hero Women's Golf Tour's Leg-5 played at the Jaypee Greens Golf Resort, Greater Noida on Thursday.

Gaurika Bishnoi with a two-day aggregate score of 144 (73+71) is placed third. Mysuru's professional women golfer Pranavi S. Urs (JWGC), with a card of 3-over-75 on day two and with an aggregate score of 146 (71+75) is placed fourth. J. Ridhima Dilwari with a two-day aggregate score of 147 (73+74) is placed fifth. Another Mysuru professional golfer Sonam Chugh (JWGC) with a two-day aggregate score of 158 (78+80) is tied 16th in the ranking after day two of the tourney. The tournament concludes today.

KSCA Mysore Zone Inter-Collegiate Cricket Tournament from Mar. 10

File photo

Mysuru, Mar. 6- The KSCA Mysore Zone will be conducting the KSCA Mysore Zone Inter-Collegiate knock-out cricket tournament 2019-20 from March 10 to 19 in city.

Ten city college teams are taking part in the tournament, with Sapient College of Commerce and Management (defending champion) and SBRR Mahajana FGC (runner-up) being the top contenders.

The matches will be played on a 30-overs-a side basis at SJCE and SDNR Wadiyar Grounds.

Picture Perfect

City lensman's Nishane Aane click wins Rs. 1 lakh Dasara Photography Award

Mysuru, Mar. 6 (BCT)- G.S. Babu, a professional photographer from city, has won the Dasara photography competition organised for the first time by the Department of Tourism during Mysuru Dasara-2019.

Babu has won a cash prize of Rs. 1 lakh. The Department had invited photographs from passionate photographers and as many as 164 photographs were submitted by 55 photographers clicked during the 10-day Dasara. Each photographer could submit three photos.

The Directorate of Tourism and Youth Photographic Society, Bengaluru, selected Babu as the winner. Babu, a resident of Saraswathipuram, had submitted three photographs and the photo of three Dasara elephants (Nishane Aane) passing through Chamaraja Wadiyar Circle won the award. The photo was clicked just as the procession began and after the VVIPs performed *Nandi Dhwaja Puja* on Oct. 8. He received a cheque for Rs. 1 lakh from Mysuru Deputy Commissioner Abhiram G. Sankar.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning, an elated Babu said that he had never expected the award. "Since it was a competition held for the first time, I had submitted the entries. It is indeed a proud moment," he said.

Describing the photograph, Babu said that he did a lot of homework to click the photo. "Thousands of people had descended on city on that day. I wanted to be away from the crowd and as I got ready to click the Nishane Elephants, the clouds had formed a perfect background and the dome of Chamaraja Wadiyar Circle was shining like gold. The caparisoned elephants, the shining golden dome, a crowd-less place and the hovering clouds made a perfect scene and a perfect photo-op," he said.

G.S. Babu** (right), **professional photographer, seen receiving a cheque for Rs. 1 lakh from Deputy Commissioner Abhiram G. Sankar.

Babu has been a lensman since 1992. "Photography is my passion, profession and life. It has given me everything. I also conduct classes for passionate photographers since 2008. I always take photos in different angles and study the weather, lighting and background before putting my camera to work," he revealed.

Babu has received many awards in the past including Karnataka Chaaya Ratna Award-2013 and Chaaya Seva Rathna Award-2014. He also has got an appreciation letter and a memento from Hollywood Photographers in 2015.

Workshop on Ayurvedic Nutrition

Mysuru, Mar. 6-Indian Dietetic Association, Mysore Chapter and the University of Trans-disciplinary Health Sciences and Technology are jointly organising a one day workshop on "Introduction to Ayurveda-based Holistic Nutrition" for UG, PG students of Nutrition, Dieticians, Nutritionists and other health care professionals, on Mar.10 at Hotel Roopa Elite, VV Mohalla here.

The workshop is programmed for hands-on training to the participants on designing ayurvedic diets. Interested may contact Dr. Vanitha Reddy (9590481932) or Dr. Sushma Appaiah (9342674406) or Seema Siddiqi (9035275021), according to a press release from Dr. Asna Urooj, Chairperson, Department of Studies in Food Science and Nutrition, University of Mysore.

Leadership Meet at Harvard School

Mysuru, Mar. 6- **Prof. Aisha M. Sheriff,** Chairperson of B.N. Bahadur Institute of Management Sciences, University of Mysore, has been selected by NIEPA, Ministry of HRD, Government of India, to attend the Academic Leadership Development Programme at the prestigious Harvard School of Education, Cambridge, Massachusetts, from Mar. 25 to 29.

CITB's many pro-people schemes ignored by MUDA

208 houses built by CITB not distributed; 441 houses distributed then not occupied

By S.T. Ravikumar

Mysuru, Mar. 6- If Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA), previously known as City Improvement Trust Board (CITB), distributing just 50,445 sites in over five decades comes as a surprise to many, it has to be noted that many pro-people programmes launched by the CITB were discontinued by MUDA for reasons best known to the people who head the Urban Authority, whose sole aim is to distribute sites and houses.

The CITB was established with the vision of the then Maharaja Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar who believed in distributing some assets to the have-nots (poor and people who can't afford to buy land) and bring them to the mainstream of the society.

Maharaja's vision

Taking forward the Maharaja's vision, the CITB had distributed houses for thousands of people belonging to the weaker sections of the society and only took nominal amount from them. After distributing the houses, the CITB created infrastructure and facilities like parks, underground drainage, drinking water, electricity and other civic amenities to make the areas liveable and more attractive.

Thousands of homeless and middle-class people were identified and brought to such layouts and they were convinced to stay in the areas. Many layouts and houses that were built then are selling at the price of gold now and at present, people can't even afford rent in such areas. Those areas now have grown into posh localities.

International Housing Year

The year 1986-87 was declared as International Housing Year and CITB launched many pro-people programmes including schemes like HUDCO (Housing and Urban Development Corporation) and Own Your House (OYH) scheme. Over 12,145 houses were constructed under HUDCO and OYH schemes and of them, 441 houses have remained unoccupied even now. Also, surprisingly, 208 houses have not even been sanctioned under a project that was launched in 1986-87.

Under HUDCO scheme, over 252 High Income Group (HIG), 1,198 Medium Income Group (MIG), 3,517 Low Income Group (LIG) and 2,520 Economically Weaker Section (EWS) houses were built in city taking a total to 7,487 houses. Under Own Your House Scheme, over 724 HIG, 1,433 MIG, 469 LIG and 1,741 EWS houses were built taking a total to 4,367 houses.

Resemble haunted places

But apart from 119 LIG houses and 172 EWS houses (total 291) that were constructed using the loans granted by the Banks, no other housing scheme was launched by MUDA. Over 441 houses are still not occupied by owners and as such, the houses resemble haunted houses with doors and windows removed by miscreants due to years of neglect. Such houses can be found in Vijayanagar 3rd Stage.

If 441 houses have not been occupied, the MUDA has failed to distribute 208 houses that were built under HUDCO and OYH schemes. Lakhs of rupees have been spent to build these houses and the money has now gone under the drain. This one example is sufficient enough to portray the promptness and the way of functioning of MUDA officials and elected representatives.

Housing provisions ignored

Like CITB, MUDA has a provision to build housing complexes and hand over to thousands of applicants who are waiting for a house or a site for years. But MUDA has completely forgotten its duties and has not even bothered to take some steps to find ways and means to implement those provisions.

Even the much ambitious 'Affordable Housing Scheme' floated by MUDA has not been cleared by the Government. If this project gets a green signal, MUDA plans to build 12-storey group houses in Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, Dattagalli, Ramakrishnanagar and Lalithadripura.

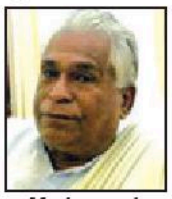
Of late, MUDA is facing severe shortage of land and people have accused it of failing on its basic function — to identify and provide land for residents of Mysuru. There are more than one-and-a-half lakh pending applications from site aspirants since the last 30 years and the number of applicants has only increased. So far, MUDA has been able to complete the process of allotting land at R.T. Nagar and Lalithadrinagar 2nd Stage that were proposed 15 years back, in December 2017.

"Earlier, elected representatives had service as their motto and even the officials used to respond to their feelings. And there were not much of legal hurdles. Now the officials are pro-politicians instead of being pro-people. And even all the present laws benefit only the politicians and officials. That's why the basic dream of people to own a site or a house is not realised," he regretted.

A housing complex built by CITB at Sharadadevinagar in city years ago. These houses are still lying vacant with no occupants as MUDA has not allotted them to any beneficiary.

'Now officials are pro-politicians instead of being pro-people'

CITB was pro-people and all its laws and regulations were intended to provide housing to the poor and the needy. That is why CITB was able to distribute thousands of houses and many layouts that were created then have become posh layouts now, said former CITB Chairman and ex-MLC D. Madegowda, who is known as *'Mane Madegowda.'* Madegowda was instrumental in distributing over 7,000 houses in Hebbal, Sharadadevinagar, Ramakrishnanagar, Vivekanandanagar, Aravindanagar, Kyathamaranahalli, Sathagalli, Dattagalli and Rajivnagar.



Madegowda

The houses, allotted by CITB at a Layout in city, have undergone complete transformation. CITB, then, just provided a basic structure, upon which the residents renovated and refurbished, according to their own needs. Picture right shows an unallotted house.

Rural students should develop interest in Yoga: ZP Vice-President

Mysuru, Mar. 6 (DM)- Mysuru ZP Vice-President Gowramma Somashekar said that rural students should follow their urban counterparts in learning Yoga.

She was speaking after inaugurating a two-day Yoga Training Camp for High school Physical Education (PE) teachers organised jointly by the Zilla Panchayat and AYUSH Department at a private Hotel here on Thursday.

Highlighting the various benefits of Yoga, she said that Yoga always helps in maintaining good physical and mental health.Observing that Yoga is mostly limited to urban areas, Gowramma Somashekar said it is important that rural students too develop interest in Yoga, just like their urban counterparts for their own physical well-being.

Underlining the role of Physical Education (PE) teachers in imparting Yoga education to students, she said that learning Yoga will also help in maintaining discipline and calmness. Stressing on the need for practising Yoga everyday, she said that Yoga keeps many physical ailments at bay.

DDPI Dr.Panduranga said that PE teachers have a big responsibility in engaging children in extra-curricular activities. Underlining the role of PE teachers in educating children on discipline, punctuality, etc., he called upon children not to let go any chance of learning Yoga.

MCC Deputy Mayor C. Sridhar, Corporator Ravindra, AYUSH District Officer Dr. Seethalakshmi, Dr. V. Sridharmurthy and others were present.

Woman goes missing

Mysuru, Mar. 6- A 20-year-old woman, who left her house eight months ago, has since gone missing.

The missing woman is Poornima, wife of Venkatesh and a resident of Ganiganakoppal village, Sosale hobli in T. Narasipur taluk.

Poornima is 5ft. tall, oily red complexioned, normal built, round faced, speaks Kannada and was wearing a pink chudidhar at the time of going missing.

Those having any information about the missing woman, may contact Mysuru South Police Station on Ph: 0821-2444955 or District Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2444800, according to a press release from the Sub-Inspector, Mysuru South Police Station, Mysuru.

Obituary

M.S. Ravi Kumar

Maddur, Mar. 6- M.S. Ravi Kumar (58), son of late M.S. Satyanarayana and a resident of Maddur passed away at his residence this morning.

He leaves behind his wife Ambuja, sons Shankar Prasad and Vittal Prasad, daughter-in-law Anusha and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at Maddur this afternoon, according to family sources.

PSI Recruitment
Written Exam on Mar.8

Mysuru, Mar. 6- The Written Exam for recruitment of Police Sub-Inspectors (Civil) will take place at 14 Centres across the city on Mar. 8. The first paper will be held from 10 am to 11.30 am and the second, from 1 pm to 2.30 pm. A total of 9,000 candidates will appear for the written exam.

Exam Centres: Maharani Women's Commerce and Management College, Maharani Arts College for Women, Vidyavardhaka College of Engineering, St. Philomena's Degree College, SBRR Mahajana PU College and Mahajana First Grade College (FGC), Mahajana Public School, Gnanaganga Vidyapeetha, Vidyavardhaka FGC, Chinmaya Composite PU College, Vijaya Vittala Vidyashala, St. Thomas Institute, Gopalaswamy Shishuvihara Independent PU College and Vidyavardhaka Polytechnic College.

Candidates should bring their identity cards and be present at the Centre 90 minutes before the exam, according to a press release.

Man murders wife in front of her father

Mysuru, Mar. 6 (RK&KS)- A woman, has been murdered by her husband in front of her father in the wee hours of today at her home in Hosakamanakoppal, Yelwal hobli here.

Nagesh *Mamatha*

The deceased is Mamatha, a native of Periyapatna who was married to Nagesh of Hosakamanakoppal about seven years ago. The couple has a six-year-old son. Mamatha was Nagesh's second wife as his first wife had committed suicide.

It is learnt that Nagesh was addicted to liquor and gambling and used to fight with Mamatha over petty reasons. Yesterday night too, there was a fight between the couple and Mamatha's father pacified both of them and all of them went to sleep later.

But in the wee hours of today, Nagesh allegedly stabbed Mamatha and later assaulted her with a machete in front of her father, killing her on the spot.

Yelwal Police, who rushed to the spot have arrested Nagesh and shifted the body to MMC&RI mortuary for post-mortem.

Additional Superintendent of Police (ASP) P.V. Sneha, Mysuru South Rural Police Inspector Jeevan and other Police officials visited the spot. A case has been registered at Mysuru South Rural Police Station.

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WORD OF THE DAY

Perquisite

Pronunciation: PER-kwuh-zut

Meaning: A privilege, gain, or profit incidental to regular salary or wages; especially : one expected or promised; something held or claimed as an exclusive right or possession; a gratuity or tip.
Origin: The word perquisite derives from Latin perquirere, which means "to search for thoroughly." That Latin word, in turn, is from the verb quaerere, meaning "to ask" or "to seek." Seven other words in this paragraph are from quaerere as well—acquire, inquiries, exquisitely, queries, conquering, quest, and, of course, perk (which was formed by shortening and altering perquisite).
Example: One of the job's perquisites is use of a company car.

THE ODD WORD

Peadarchy

Government by children.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Panic Stations

Meaning: A state of high alert or emergency.
Origin & Example: The earliest citation of the term 'panic stations' in print comes from the New York newspaper The World, September 1892. The actual reference is to 'anti-panic stations', which were units set up by the local medical services in order to reassure the public during a cholera outbreak. The real 'panic stations' is a rare linguistic beast, in that it is a nautical phrase that doesn't originate from the heydays of sail. One of the numerous meanings of the word station is 'a position assigned to a man on duty'. The Royal Navy had several commands to call sailors to their stations, notably 'action stations', which was ordered when a ship came under attack. Oddly, for a term that sounds like an ironic play on words, 'panic stations' was an actual command. This is apparent in a report published in The Times, November 1918:
Alarm gongs had already sent the guns' crews to their invisible guns and immediately after the explosion 'Panic stations' was ordered, followed in due course by 'Abandon ship'.

QUOTE BOX

Painting is an infinitely minute part of my personality. —**Salvador Dali**

RIDDLE THIS

What starts with P and ends with E, and can also be eaten?

Answer: A Pie.

SUDOKU

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Answer to previous puzzle

3	6	8	9	1	5	2	4	7
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4	5	1	6	8	7	9	3	2
8	3	6	1	9	2	5	7	4
5	1	2	7	6	8	4	9	3
6	8	3	4	5	9	7	2	1
7	4	9	3	2	1	8	5	6

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Rocky hill
4 Cert. Public. Accts.
8 A well known timber tree
11 Largest active volcano in Japan
12 Arabian gazelle
14 The forfeit or sum paid into the pool
15 Law professor's degree
16 Housie or bingo?
17 Something to spend in Afghanistan
18 Small hill - "P Joke" anagram?
20 Female organ of reproduction
22 Rajasthan's Mount ____
24 Snow runner
25 Hebrew measure
28 Not, as a prefix?
30 The terrible Tsar?
34 Pig or wild boar
35 Indian Dyestuff Inds.
36 Wood sorrel
37 Drinking cups
39 Telegu Desam Party, acronym
40 Figure-skating jump
41 Sugar suffix ?
43 Exponential, in short
45 Circus entertainer
48 Abominable snowmen
52 Milk producer
53 Make void, cancel or nullify
57 Gardening implement
58 Do an __ turn to : harm a person or his interests?
59 Out of fashion
60 Tolkien's tree like creature
61 Instrument Landing Sys.
62 Did not sink?
63 Short for 'manuscripts'

DOWN

1 ___ over : discuss at length?
2 Scandinavian capital
3 Play boisterously
4 Israeli spy sent into Canaan in the Biblical times?
5 Expert
6 River islet
7 ___ free : liberate, release or emancipate
8 Airline Pilots Assoc.
9 Acid, tart
10 Religious, godly or hallowed
13 Peer or gaze
19 Sound discordantly
21 Roman seven
23 Join together
24 Shoot from cover
25 Unit of electrical resistance
26 Memorandum of Understanding
27 Poultry farm product
29 ___ number : 1 or 3 or 181 ?
31 ___ populi or ___ dei (same word)
32 An ___ up one's sleeve : a surprise trick or ruse?
33 ___ Sarovar : bird sanctuary in Gujarat?
38 As you ___, so shall you reap?
40 Large monkey
42 Quick informal photo
44 Woody plant tissue
45 202 in Roman numerals
46 Take it easy
47 Nocturnal birds of prey with hawk-like beaks and claws
49 Those people over there!
50 Charged particles
51 ___ apart : reserves for a particular purpose?
54 National Academy of Sciences, briefly
55 Australian state, briefly
56 2002 Winter Olympics host

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

R	I	M	■	F	A	D	S	■	C	H	I	P
A	W	E	■	A	M	E	N	■	R	O	S	E
H	I	D	■	S	O	N	U	■	E	P	H	A
S	N	O	U	T	■	■	B	B	C	■	■	■
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C	H	E	N	N	A	I	■	G	E	N	U	S
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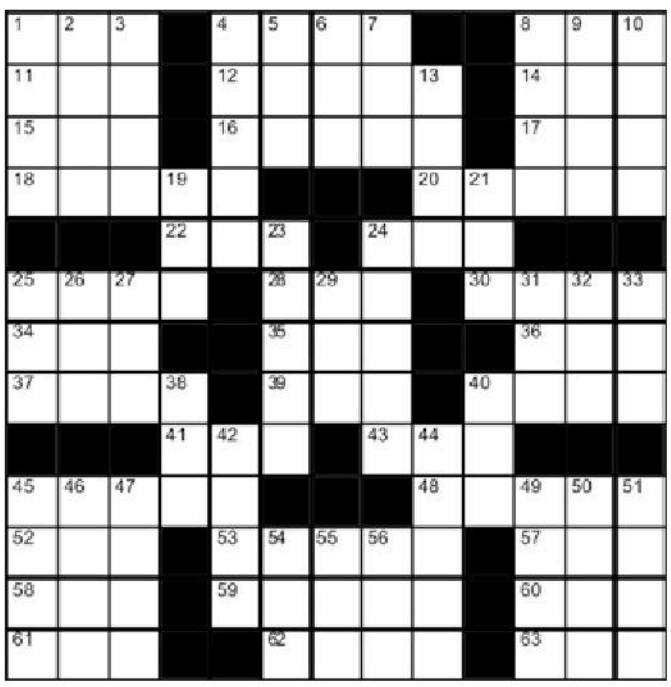

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

TKSYIKESIEQ WYMYBWZ FJY ZFIFKZ DKP VPBL AIZF

FJY FUGY XJYB FJY DKP JIZ VPZF UFZ ZFIFKZ.

TODAY'S CLUE: F EQUALS T

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: A cynic is a man who, when he smells flowers, looks around for a coffin.

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Love Mocktail	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
Drona	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9986022634	4 Shows
Shiva	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
My Name is Raja	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
Shivaji Surathkal	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
Popcorn Monkey Tiger	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
O Pushpa I Hate Tears	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
HINDI			
Baaghi - 3	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
TELUGU			
Bheeshma	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
Ala Vaikunthapurramuloo	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Gypsy	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows

DRC CINEMAS — PH: 4240422, 4241800

Anukunnadi Okati Ayinadi Okati (Te)	(S-1)	10.40 am
Love Mocktail (K)	(S-1)	1.10 pm
Kannum Kannum Kollaiyadithaal (Ta)	(S-1)	4.10 pm
Shivaji Surathkal (K)	(S-1)	7.15 pm, 9.55 pm
Maduve Madri Sari Hogthane (K)	(S-2)	10.25 am
Gypsy (Ta)	(S-2)	1.00 pm
Ondu Shikariya Kathe (K)	(S-2)	4.15 pm
Thappad (H)	(S-2)	7.05 pm
College Kumar (Te)	(S-2)	9.55 pm
Drona (K)	(S-3)	10.10 am, 4.05 pm, 9.55 pm
Onward (E-3D)	(S-3)	1.30 pm, 7.20 pm
Baaghi - 3 (H)	(S-4)	10.10 am, 1.10 pm
		4.05 pm, 7 pm, 9.55 pm

INOX LIVE THE MOVIE — PH: 2533444 / 2533456

Baaghi - 3 (H)	(S-2)	9.40 am, 12.40 pm
		3.45 pm, 6.50 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-1)	9.00 pm
Onward (E-3D)	(S-1)	1.00 pm, 6.35 pm
Shivaji Surathkal (K)	(S-4)	7.00 pm
Love Mocktail (K)	(S-1)	10.00 am
	(S-4)	1.20 pm; (S-3) 9.50 pm
Drona (K)	(S-4)	10.10 am
	(S-1)	3.20 pm; (S-3) 6.40 pm
Maduve Madri Sari Hogthane (K)	(S-3)	10.40 am
Ondu Shikariya Kathe (K)	(S-3)	3.50 pm
My Name is Raja (K)	(S-3)	1.15 pm
Gypsy (Ta)	(S-4)	9.40 pm
College Kumar (Te)	(S-4)	4.30 pm

PVR CINEMAS — www.pvrcinemas.com

Baaghi 3 (H)	9.30 am, 12.30 pm, 3.40 pm
	6.50 pm, 10.00 pm
Drona (K)	9.55 am, 3.55 pm, 9.40 pm
Onward (E-3D)	10.15 am, 7.10 pm
Maduve Madri Sari Hogtane (K)	10.25 am
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College Kumar (Ta)	1.10 pm
Gypsy (Ta)	3.50 pm
Ondu Shikariya Kathe (K)	3.50 pm
Mayabazar 2016 (K)	6.40 pm
Forensic (Ma)	6.55 pm
Wrong Turn (K)	9.35 pm
Shivaji Surathkal (K)	9.50 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

EVENTS TODAY (MAR. 6)

JSS Urban Haat: Shahari Samruddhi Utsav, an exhibition-cum-sale to create a market platform and network for women SHG products, JSS Urban Haat, Hebbal Industrial Area, Ring Road, **upto 9 pm.**

ATME College of Engineering, Mysuru: ATMEya 2020, an Annual Cultural Fest on the theme 'Save the Wild,' Cultural Programmes by ATME students, **up to 5.30 pm;** Musical Night by 'Bigg Boss' finalist Vasuki Vaibhav (Playback Singer & Music Composer, Bengaluru) and team, **6 pm to 7 pm;** Comedy Night by Shivaraj K.R. Pet & Nayana of 'Comedy Kiladigalu' fame, College Campus, **7 pm to 9 pm.**

Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS), Karnataka and Nehru Yuva Kendra, Mysuru: Kashmiri Youth Exchange Programme, District in-Charge Minister V. Somanna inaugurates, MLA L. Nagendra presides, Vishnuvardhan Reddy of NYKS New Delhi delivers introductory speech, Youth Hostel, **4 pm.**

Karnataka State Differently-Abled Sports Association, Bengaluru, Youth Empowerment and Sports Department, Bengaluru, Zilla Panchayat, Mysuru and Mysuru City Corporation, Mysuru: Four-day 30th City, District and State-level Para Games -2020, Inauguration by C. T. Ravi, Minister of Youth Empowerment and Sports, MP Pratap Simha presides, District Minister V. Somanna and Minister of Women and Child Development and Empowerment of Differently-Abled and Senior Citizens Shashikala Jolle and others chief guests, Chamundi Vihar Stadium, **4.30 pm.**

Department of Kannada and Culture and Kayaka Sharanara Jayantotsava Samithi: Kayaka Sharana Jayanti - 2020, Sugama Sangeetha and Nadageethe by Anandkumar Kambalihala and Troupe from Nanjangud, **3.30 pm;** Inauguration of the programme by District Minister V. Somanna, Sri Urilinga Peddi Mutt Seer Sri Jnanaprakash Swamiji graces the occasion, MLA L. Nagendra presides, Mayor Tasneem, ZP President Parimala Shyam, MPs Pratap Simha, Sreenivasa Prasad and Sumalatha Ambarish and other dignitaries, chief guests, Maneyangala, Kalamandira premises, **4.30 pm.**

Ganabharathi: Hindustani Vocal Concert by Sindhu and Kshama, accompanied by Pt. Deepak Nagannavar on harmonium and Pt. Ramesh Dhannur on tabla, Ganabharathi, Adichunchanagiri Road, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**

Sri Kalikamba Kamateshwara Swamy Temple: Inauguration of the new complex, Mass Prayers, Punyaha, Vasthu, Rakshoghna, Navagraha Homa, Sudarshana Homa, Vasthu Bali Puja, Mahamangalarati, Prasada distribution, temple premises, K.T. Street, **6 pm.**

Vidyavardhaka Sangha and Sri K. Puttaswamy First Grade College: Vinuthana Utsava - 2020, State-level Intercollegiate Commerce, Management and IT Fest, Odisi Dance by Sindhu Krishnan and group, Sri Sahukar Chennaiah Auditorium, VVCE Campus, Gokulam 3rd Stage, **6 pm.**

Sri Prasanna Nanjundeshwara Temple and Department of Religious Endowment: *Brahmotsava*, Special Pujas, Pushpa Mantaparohana, temple premises, Old Santhepet, **7 pm.**

Sri Digambar Jain Samaj and Padmashri Jain Mahila Samaj, Sankar Mutt: Palguna Masa - Nandishwara Ashtahnika Parva, discourse by Latha Sudarshan, President, Padmashri Jain Mahila Samaj, Mysuru, Sri Shantishwaraswamy Basadi (Kote Basadi), New Sayyaji Rao Road, **7.15 pm to 8.15 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (MAR. 7)

Sri Kalikamba Kamateshwara Swamy Temple: Inauguration of the new complex, Trayodashi, Gana Homa, Ashwath Katte Shuddikarana, Homas, Upanayana to Ashwath Katte, Maduve Mahapuje, Mahamangalarati, Prasada distribution, **6 am to 1 pm;** Chandikeshwara Bimba Shuddikarana, Adhibasa, Homas, Mahamangalarati, Prasada distribution, temple premises, K.T. Street, **6 pm.**

JSS Urban Haat: Shahari Samruddhi Utsav, an exhibition-cum-sale to create a market platform and network for women SHG products, JSS Urban Haat, Hebbal Industrial Area, Ring Road, **10 am to 9 pm.**

Sneha Sinchana Trust and Janamana TV Youtube Channel: Presentation of 'Mysuru Nakshatra Award-2020' and distribution of prizes to winners of State-level internet bhajan contest, Social Worker K. Raghuram Vajpayee inaugurates, Kannada Sahitya Parishat (KSP) former President Maddikere Gopal presides, felicitation and presentation of Awards by littérateur Dr. C.P. Krishnakumar and KSP President Dr. Y.D. Rajanna to — Mangala Sathyan, Dr. Nataraj Jois, Dr. M. Jagannath Shenoi, Dr. Manjula Umesh, Vijayalakshmi Sudarshan and M.S. Kausalya; Sneha Sinchana Trust President M.N. Latha Mohan delivers introductory speech, Dr. Bhramaramba Maheshwari speaks on 'Mahileyarige paurohityada mahatwa,' Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **10 am.**

ATME College of Engineering, Mysuru: ATMEya 2020, an Annual Cultural Fest on the theme 'Save the Wild,' Various

Dance Performances, Singing, Drama events by ATME Students, **10.30 am to 3.30 pm;** DJ Vs Dole by Students, **3.30 pm to 5.30 pm;** "Live Music Concert" by Renowned Playback singer **Sanjith Hegde** & Team, **6.00 pm to 8.30 pm;** Fashion Show, **8.30 pm to 9.30 pm,** Valedictory Function, College Campus, **9.30 pm to 10 pm.**

Yuvaraja's College (Autonomous), University of Mysore: Seventh Graduation Day, University of Mysore Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar presides and confers the degrees, Platinum Jubilee Auditorium, College premises, **11 am.**

Sri Chayadevi Vidyanikethana Trust and Sri Chayadevi B.Ed. College: International Women's Day celebrations, Mayor Tasneem inaugurates, Somani B.Ed College Principal Dr. B.N. Asha and Sri Chayadevi Vidyanikethana Trust President Dr. Bhanuprakash, chief guests, Sri Chayadevi Education Mahavidyalaya Principal Dr. C. Anthony Paul Raj, presides, College auditorium, 1st Cross, Pensioner's Block, Rajendranagar, **11.30 am.**

St. Maria Montessori, Kindergarten and Nursery Teacher Training Institute: 13th Graduation Day celebrations, Kodava Samaja President K.M. Belliappa inaugurates, Dr. M.P. Raghavendra, Professor, Postgraduate Department of Microbiology, Maharani's Science College for Women, guest speaker, Prof. K.A. Suresh, former Director, Centre for Soft Matter Research, Bengaluru, presides, Veene Seshanna Bhavan, Adichunchanagiri Road, Kuvempunagar, **4 pm.**

Vidyavardhaka Sangha and Sri K. Puttaswamy First Grade College: Vinuthana Utsava - 2020, State-level Intercollegiate Commerce, Management and IT Fest, Valedictory programme, D.C. Nagesh, International Male Model (Indian) and *Mr. Asia 2020* delivers valedictory address, Vidyavardhaka Sangha Hon. Secretary P. Vishwanath presides, Sangha Treasurer S.N. Lakshminarayana, Sangha Governing Council Member D. Subbaiah and College Principal Dr. M. Shivalinge Gowda, guests of honour, Sri Sahukar Chennaiah Auditorium, VVCE Campus, Gokulam 3rd Stage, **4 pm.**

Sri Ramakrishna Ashram: Swami Muktidanandaji speaks on 'Daiva Prajne and Karma Yoga', Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

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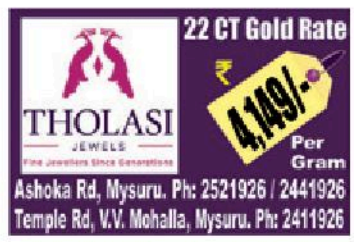

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